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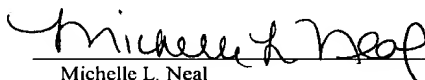
Applicant: Yoshinori KUMASAKA

Invention: DISPOSABLE DIAPER

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Sir:

Prior to continuing the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Substitute Specification filed February 11, 2002 as follows:

On page 3 of the Substitute Specification, please substitute the second full paragraph with the following paragraph:

β The disposable diaper 1 shown in Fig. 1 in a partially cutaway perspective view is of the pull-on or shorts-type and has a front waist region 6, a rear waist region 7 and a crotch region